

Upcoming Exchange Programs

New SilkWayModelUnitedNations

This is a university-level Model United Nations conference involving participants from countries across Central and South Asia, and will be in Almaty on May 1-3, 2014. Eligible participants should be current university students in South and Central Asia, and this project will tackle issues of regional interest in a Model United Nations simulation. Al Farabi Kazakh National University (KazNU) is the host university in partnership with the United Nations Information Center in Almaty and Miras University in Shymkent, Kazakhstan. More information is available here: <http://1.usa.gov/1djnFTP> Deadline: March 15, 2014

Fellowship with Atlas Corps

Atlas Corps seeks nonprofit/NGO leaders from around the world to apply for fellowships in the U.S. and Latin America. Atlas Corps engages leaders committed to the nonprofit sector in a 6-18 month, professional fellowship at organizations to learn best practices, build organizational capacity, and return home to create a network of global leaders. This prestigious Fellowship includes a living stipend to cover basic expenses (food, local transportation, and shared housing) and health insurance. Applications are accepted year-round, but to be considered for the September class, we encourage applications by March 22. For more details about eligibility requirements and the application process, please visit <http://bit.ly/ApplyClass16>. Deadline: March 22, 2014

International Leaders in Education Program (ILEP)

Program details: ILEP provides international teachers with unique opportunities to develop expertise in their subject areas, enhance their teaching skills and increase their knowledge about the United States. ILEP consists of a semester-long non-degree, non-credit academic program at a US University including seminars on new teaching methodologies, curriculum development, lesson planning, and teaching strategies. Participants will audit two courses in the host university's School or Department of Education and participate in a practicum in a US secondary school near the host university. Target audience: Full-time school teacher (6th to 12th grades) with five or more years of classroom experience in English, Math, Science, Social Studies and Special Education. More information is available here:

<http://www.usief.org.in/Fellowships/FIC-InternationalLeaders-in-Education-Program.aspx>

Deadline: April 1, 2014

TechForumCentralAsia3, "Women and Technology"

TCFA3 is part of the series of State Department Tech Camps designed to teach young professionals low and no-cost technologies to tackle social good and civil society development. TFCA 3 will gather technology trainers and young professionals, with a focus on women's issues in the region, on June 13-15, 2014 in Almaty. The participants will be selected from Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Pakistan, Afghanistan and India; and the trainers will be recruited locally and internationally. At the end of the event follow-up funding will be available so that the participants utilize their newly acquired skills and contacts right away.

More information is available here: <http://techforumca.com> Deadline: April 20, 2014

SAWES Small Grants Competition

SAWES small grants competition to advance women's entrepreneurship across South Asia. Some possible areas of focus for the grants are:

- Access to cross border markets for women entrepreneurs
- Information sharing on policy and regulatory environments relevant to conducting business across South Asia
- Cross-border networking among business associations on marketing opportunities, product information, etc.
- Use of technology as a tool to promote business linkages and trade
- Finance and administrative support for women entrepreneurs to expand their business into regional markets
- Capacity-building opportunities related to business skills, access to finance, or business promotion

Details on eligibility and proposal guidelines are included [here](#).

International Writing Program (IWP)

The International Writing Program (IWP) is a unique conduit for the world's literatures, connecting well-established writers from around the globe, bringing international literature into classrooms, introducing American writers to other cultures through reading tours, and serving as a clearinghouse for literary news and a wealth of archival and pedagogical materials. Since 1967, over fourteen hundred writers from more than 140 countries have been in residence at the University of Iowa. IWP residency candidates will need to submit a C.V. and a 10-15 page writing submission. Please click [this link](#) for more details.